

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

October 4, 2015



Sunrise at Mesquite Flat Sand Dunes, Death Valley National Park

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National Terrorism Advisory System Current Alerts



Note: [Report updates are in blue](#)



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SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal OES Activation Status

- The Cal OES State Operations Center (SOC) transitioned to Joint Field Office (JFO) operations with FEMA to support recovery operations.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

- Critical fire weather conditions remain in effect through this morning for portions of Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Siskiyou, Trinity, Shasta, Tehama Counties due to strong winds and low relative humidity. Potential impacts include downed trees and powerlines, power outages, and the possibility of fire starts and rapid fire growth.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

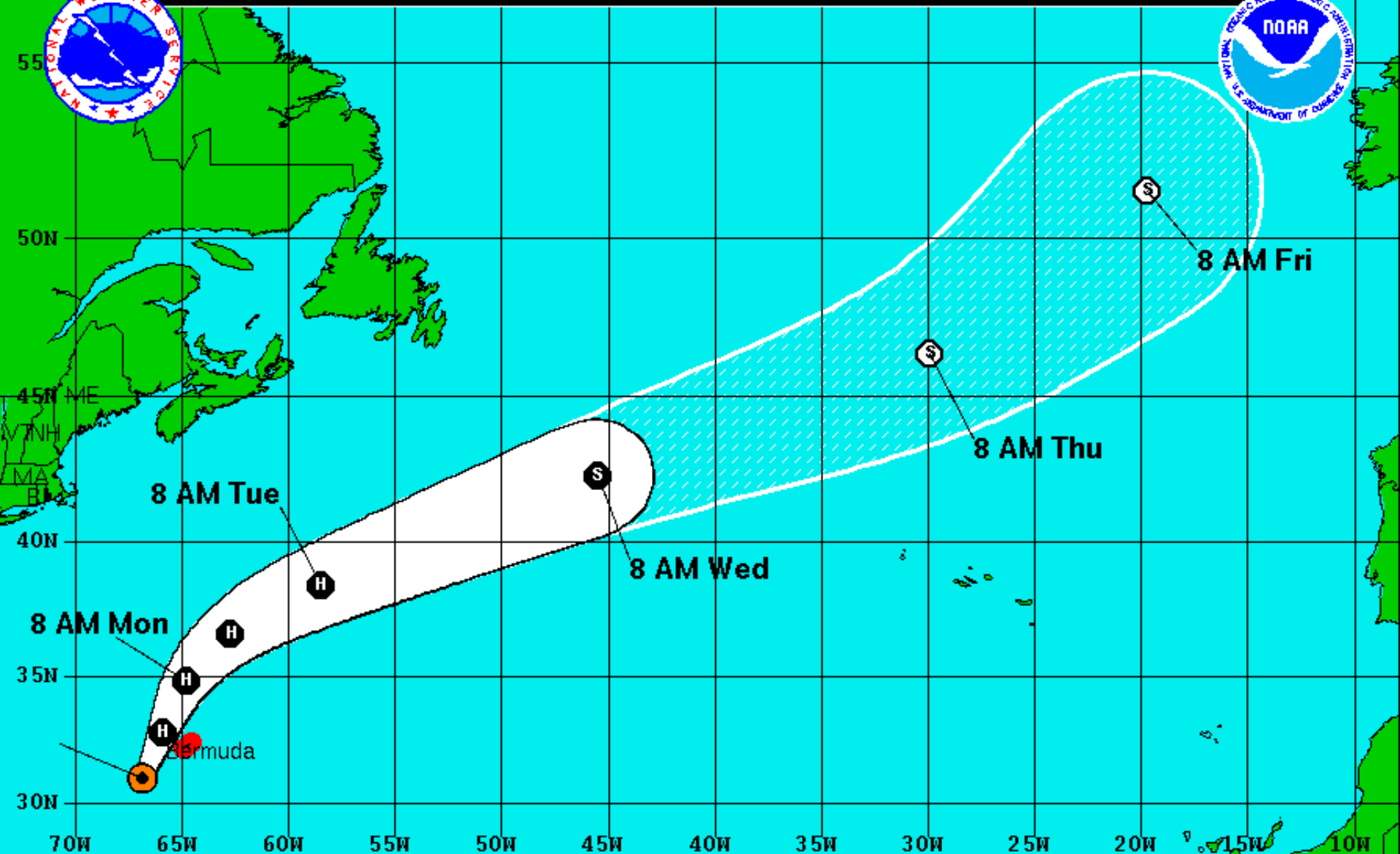
http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

SITUATION SUMMARY

Hurricane Joaquin, Atlantic Ocean – United States East Coast

- Hurricane Joaquin has **weakened to a Category 3** Hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale.
- As of **0800 hours PDT**, Hurricane Joaquin was located approximately **150 miles** southwest of Bermuda moving northeast at **17 mph**. **Joaquin is now moving toward the north-northeast. This general motion with a slight decrease in forward is expected to continue through Monday. On the forecast track, the center of Joaquin will pass just west of Bermuda this afternoon, and pass north of Bermuda tonight.** Recent data from the hurricane hunter aircraft indicate that maximum sustained winds have decreased near **110 mph** with higher gusts. **Additional weakening is forecast during the next 48 hours.**
- Hurricane force winds extend out to **60 miles** from the center and tropical storm force winds extend out to 205 miles from the center. The minimum central pressure is **28.26 inches**.
- A Hurricane Warning has been issued for Bermuda. Tropical storm conditions are expected to reach Bermuda Sunday morning, with hurricane conditions expected by Sunday afternoon. JOAQUIN is expected to produce 3 to 5 inches of rainfall over Bermuda through Monday. Swells from JOAQUIN will affect Bermuda through Monday.
- Swells from JOAQUIN are affecting much of the southeast coast of the U.S. and will spread northward through Sunday. Even though Joaquin is expected to pass well east of the coast of the United States, a prolonged period of elevated water levels and large waves will affect the mid-Atlantic region, causing significant beach and dune erosion with moderate coastal flooding likely.
- An additional 6 to 8 inches of rain is possible from coastal SC near Charleston to the midlands Sunday. The heaviest rain will then shift to the Piedmont and foothills of North Carolina late Sunday; before taking aim at the North Carolina Coastline Monday. A high risk for flash flooding will persist through the day today, with localized flash flooding continuing into early Monday. It will take the region several days for water levels to recede following this event.
- The USCG, Navy, and Air Force are conducting a search and rescue operation for the missing U.S. flagged cargo ship, EL FARO, covering more than 30,000 miles since 1 Oct. On 3 Oct, the Coast Guard reported an HC-130 aircraft located a debris field 138 miles northeast of Crooked Island, Bahamas. An MH-60 helicopter was launched and relocated the debris field and three life rings, one which was confirmed to belong to the M/V EL FARO. A second debris field, consisting of various small unidentifiable items believed to be packing materials and a self-locating datum marker buoy, was located 103 miles northeast of Crooked Island.
- The FEMA National Watch Center remains at Enhanced Watch (24/7). FEMA Logistics Incident Support Base teams remain deployed to MA, NC, and NJ. A State of Emergency remains in effect for SC, NC, VA, NJ, and several counties in MD. There are no known impacts to nationally significant critical infrastructure.

Note: The cone contains the probable path of the storm center but does not show the size of the storm. Hazardous conditions can occur outside of the cone.



Hurricane Joaquin

Sunday October 4, 2015

11 AM EDT Advisory 28

NWS National Hurricane Center

Current Information:

Center Location 31.0 N 66.8 W

Max Sustained Wind 110 mph

Movement NNE at 17 mph

Forecast Positions:

● Tropical Cyclone ○ Post-Tropical

Sustained Winds: D < 39 mph

S 39-73 mph H 74-110 mph M > 110mph

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Northeasterly winds will rapidly diminish this morning. Mostly clear skies and dry conditions will continue through Monday. Coastal low clouds will return by Tuesday while mostly clear skies continue inland.

Medford Weather:

Gradually weakening easterly winds will bring downslope warming to Brookings today and continued breezy conditions over the ridges and east side. There will be a change to onshore flow Monday night, with night and morning coastal low clouds expected. Increased high clouds are expected Tuesday through the end of the week due to a series of disturbances in a west-southwest flow aloft. There will also be a slight chance of near coastal light rain through the week.

Reno Weather:

Low pressure over central and southern California will bring additional showers to eastern California and western Nevada through Monday, mainly south of Highway 50. A few inches of snow are possible for Mono County above 9000 feet today. High pressure will bring drying conditions starting Monday night with afternoon highs warming to above normal by midweek.

San Francisco Weather:

An upper low will move south of the area today. Isolated showers may linger across the far southern portion of the forecast area today, otherwise dry and mild weather is expected to develop by the afternoon. Locally strong and gusty winds in the North and East Bay Hills will diminish by late morning. An upper level ridge will develop over California early in the week and then strengthen late in the week. This will result in dry conditions through next weekend, along with a warming trend beginning midweek.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

A storm moving into central and southern California today will bring cooler weather, gradual weakening of winds, and diminishing chances of showers and thunderstorms today. Showers may linger into Monday over the Sierra Nevada south of Highway 50.

Hanford Weather:

A storm system originating in western Canada will track southward and bring much cooler weather and a chance of rain showers and snow, especially at locations above 9000 feet today and Monday.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

A low pressure system will pass over Southern California today bringing cooler than normal conditions and light showers. There is a slight chance of a thunderstorm over the mountains. The chance of showers will linger into Monday. High pressure aloft will take over Wednesday into the weekend supporting a warming trend with gusty offshore winds possible towards the end of next week.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

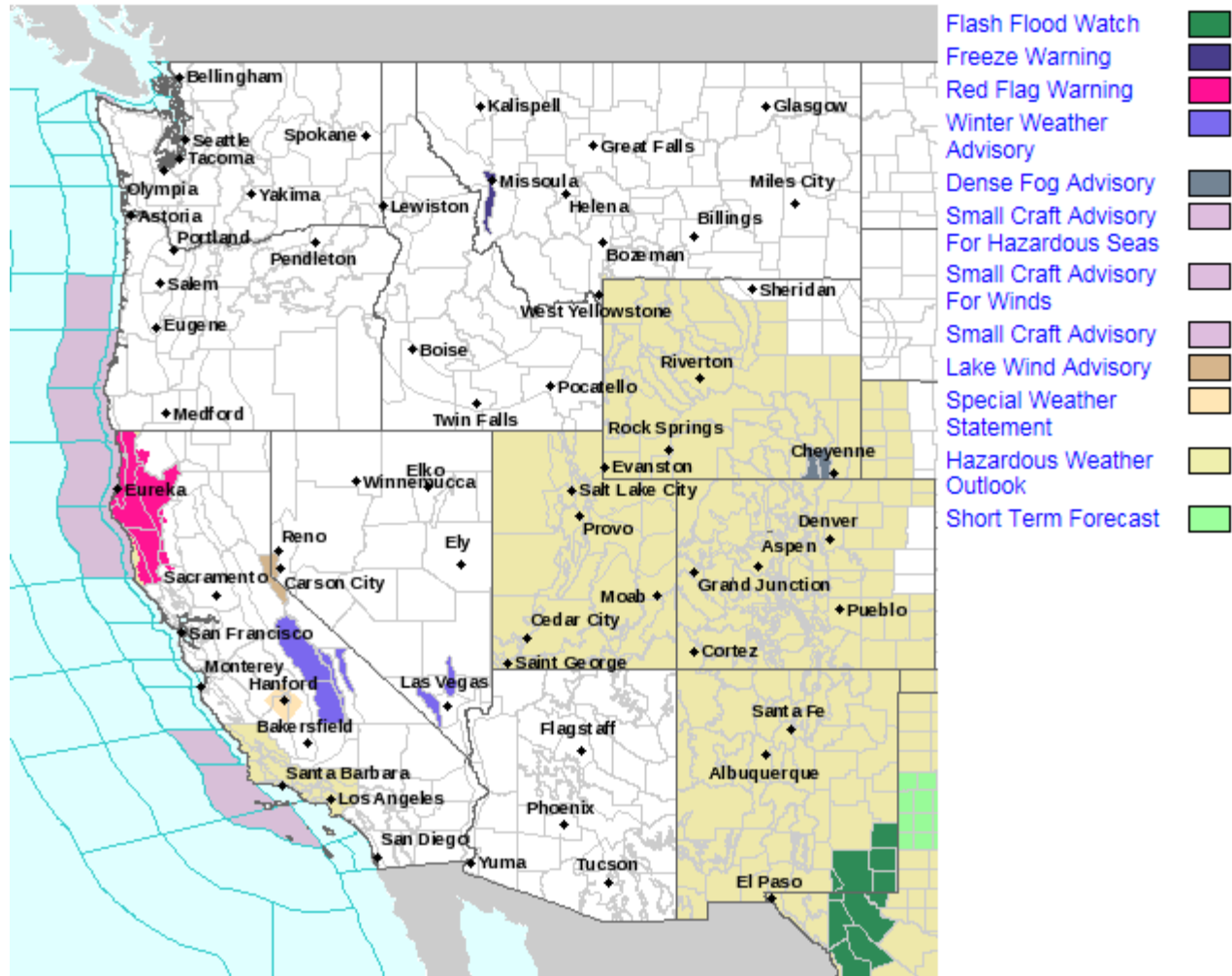
A low pressure system from the north will move into Southern California today, and then move slowly inland on Monday and Tuesday. This system will bring numerous showers today, with periods of showers continuing tonight and decreasing Monday. Dry with a warming trend for Wednesday into next weekend as high pressure over the subtropical eastern Pacific expands into California with well above average high temperatures by next weekend.

Southeast California Weather:

A strong and cold low pressure system from western Canada will develop over western states today and Monday. In response, gusty afternoon south winds are expected today with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. The best chance of showers and thunderstorms will occur Monday and Tuesday. Clearing skies are expected Wednesday with mostly clear skies and warmer temperatures toward the end of the week.



STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Oct, 4th 2015 at 10:53:04 am MDT



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SITUATION SUMMARY

FIRES, NORTHERN OPERATIONS AREA

Meridian, Vegetation Fire, Butte County

Location: Hwy 99 & Meridian road

Per Cal OES and CAL FIRE as of 10/04/15 at 0756 hours:

- 860 acres, 95% contained

Valley, Vegetation Fire, Lake and Napa and Sonoma Counties

Location: Bottle Rock Road x Glenbrook Road, Northwest of Middletown

Jurisdiction: State DPA, SRA

Start Time: 09/12/15 at 1325

Per Cal OES, CAL FIRE, and ICS-209 as of 10/04/15 at 0614 hours:

- 76,067 Acres, 97% Contained
- Structures Damaged: 41 Single Residences, 7 Nonresidential Commercial Property, 45 Other Minor Structures
- Structures Destroyed: 1,280 Single Residences, 27 Multiple Residences, 66 Nonresidential Commercial Property, 585 Other Minor Structures
- Four (4) civilian deaths have been confirmed by Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch via Lake County Sheriff's Department. Cause of death to be determined.
- Local Government Resources: 2 engines, 3 watertenders assigned
- An FMAG request has been received by Cal OES and has been forwarded to FEMA Region 9. FEMA Region 9 approved the FMAG on 09/12/15 at 2229 hours. FEMA Declaration Number is FM-5112.

Proclamations

- The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency announced that federal disaster aid has been made available to the State of California and ordered federal aid to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the area affected by the Valley Fire (Lake County) and the Butte Fire (Calaveras County) for (IA) Individual Assistance.
- Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. has issued an Emergency Proclamation for Lake and Napa Counties due to the effects of the Valley Fire.
- Proclamation of Local emergency received from Lake County due to the Valley Vegetation Fire with no specific requests.
- Proclamation of Local emergency received from Sonoma County due to the Valley Vegetation Fire with requests for CDAA and all available forms of Federal Disaster Assistance and a Presidential Declaration.
- Public Health Local Emergency was made to facilitate request for debris removal assistance.
- California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) funding has been approved for Lake and Napa Counties.
- A Proclamation from Napa County has been received declaring a local emergency due to the ongoing Valley Fire and it will be ratified by the Board of Supervisors on 9/22/15
- Public Health Local Emergency proclamation was amended to enable "sweep" of properties for initial rapid removal of hazardous materials.



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Valley, Vegetation Fire, Lake and Napa and Sonoma Counties**Activations**

- The Cal OES State Operations Center (SOC) transitioned to Joint Field Office (JFO) operations with FEMA to support recovery operations.

Shelters

- American Red Cross (ARC) and the Department of Social Services (CDSS) activated the Mass Care and Sheltering Task Force (EF-06) to identify long term planning, resources, address unmet needs and solutions for displaced persons and evacuees. The Napa County Fairgrounds and Clearlake Senior Community Center temporary shelters for Valley Fire evacuees closed on 09/24/15. Those needing shelter services will be redirected to other ARC shelters, while the ARC begins efforts to address long-term needs of the Lake County community.

Lake County:

- Grace Evangelical Free Church, 6716 Live Oak Drive, Kelseyville, CA 95451. Midnight Shelter Count: 4
- Hidden Valley Lake RV Park, 19234 Hidden Valley Lake Road Hidden Valley Lake, CA 95467. Midnight Population Count: 85
- Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1111 Park Way, Lakeport, CA 95453. Midnight Shelter Count: 2
- Twin Pine Casino, 22223 Hwy 29, Middletown, CA 95461. Midnight Shelter Count: 7
- Moose Lodge 2284, 15900 E Highway 20, Clearlake Oaks, CA 95423. ***Not Red Cross Managed. Midnight Shelter Count: 30
- Mendocino County: BuShay Campground - Ukiah, CA ; ***Not Red Cross Managed. Midnight Shelter Count: 16

Community Care Licensing Facilities Impacted:

- Currently there are 5 facilities impacted by the Valley Fire. One facility has burned down.

Animal Shelters

- Middletown Animal Hospital, 21503 CA-29, Middletown, CA 94561 (Can accommodate small animals)
- Lake County Animal Care and Control, 4949 Helbush Road, Lakeport, CA 95453 (Open 0800-1700; hours to change daily)
- Cole Creek Equestrian Center, 4965 Steelhead Drive, Kelseyville, CA 95451 (Emergency housing for animals)
- Napa Valley Equine, part of the California Animal Rescue Emergency System (CARES), is setting up a shelter network. The information can be found here: <https://www.facebook.com/NapaValleyEquine>.
- Sunrise Horse Rescue, 1098 Lodi Lane, Saint Helena, CA 94574.
- Sonoma County CHANGE Program, 1400 N Dutton Ave, Suite 17, Santa Rosa, CA 95401.

Recovery Activities:

- Recovery activities will be reported as significant changes to information occurs.

SITUATION SUMMARY

FIRES, SOUTHERN OPERATIONS AREA

Rough, Vegetation Fire, Fresno County

Location: 5 miles north of Hume Lake and 2.5 miles southwest of Spanish Mountain

Jurisdiction: FRA

Start Time: 07/31/15 at 1933 hours

Per Cal OES, CAL FIRE, and/or ICS-209 as of [10/04/15 at 0614 hours](#):

- 151,623 Acres, [89% Contained](#)
- Structures Destroyed: 1 Nonresidential Commercial Property, 3 Other Minor Structures

Activations

- The Cal OES State Operations Center (SOC) transitioned to Joint Field Office (JFO) operations with FEMA to support recovery operations.
- Fresno County EOC is activated at Level 1.

Road Closures

- Area closure in effect for National Forrest System lands with the Hume Lake Ranger District.
- Areas open to residents only: Goins Ranch, Hart Meadows, Big Meadow, Kennedy Meadow, Kings Lodge, Crabtree, Hume Lake and Sequoia Lakes.
- Road closure remains in effect for State Route 180, 17 miles west of General Grant Grove at Dunlap Road.

SITUATION SUMMARY

NATIONAL GUARD RESOURCES

California National Guard:

Per the Cal OES FDO as of 10/01/15 at 0700 hours:

Mission Task 2015-FIRE-15835

- 4 Type-2 twenty person handcrews have been assigned to train for statewide fire responses

FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 3, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC every Monday at 1100 hours.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 60 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 27 Counties: Butte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 12 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County) and City of Willits (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

CAL OES MISSIONS

New Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-18608 10/3/2015 2000 hours:** Inyo County Sheriffs Office requested 4-6 Type I Ground Searchers for two individuals injured on Mt. Whitney located in separated areas. China Lake SAR personnel accepted the mission to locate and extract the two subjects, male suffering from high altitude sickness and a female with an unspecified injury. **Mission Ongoing**
- **2015-LAW-18612 10/4/2015 0044 hours:** Yuba County Sheriffs Office requested 25 Type II Ground Searchers and 2 area K9 Teams to assist in locating a 72 year old male at risk. Missing Person is with a hunting party located near Collins Lake / Oregon House area. LDO was contacted and advise MP had been located alive and well prior to any resources being launched. **Mission Closed**

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-18600 10/2/2015 1609 hours:** Yolo County Sheriff requested dive team assistance in locating human remains located adjacent to the Sacramento Yacht Club in West Sacramento. The Sacramento DART group will be supporting this mission. Yolo County Sheriff's Office has scheduled dive operations for Sunday, 10/04/15. **Mission Ongoing**





Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.